

# EXHIBIT A

## (PART 1)

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<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION</b> <b>FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION</b> <b>CROSS-REFERENCE-RECORDATION</b>		SEE CONVEYANCE NO _____
		FILING DATE: _____
This form is to be used in cases where a conveyance covers several aircraft and engines, propellers, or locations. File original of this form with the recorded conveyance and a copy in each aircraft folder involved.		
TYPE OF CONVEYANCE		DATE EXECUTED 3-30-2001
AIRCRAFT LEASE		DOCUMENT NO. T068688
FROM  FLEET NATIONAL BANK		DATE RECORDED January 29, 2002
TO OR ASSIGNED TO  SM 5105 LLC		
<b>THE FOLLOWING COLLATERAL IS COVERED BY THE CONVEYANCE:</b>		
AIRCRAFT (List by registration number)	TOTAL NUMBER INVOLVED 1	
N699DA		
ENGINES		TOTAL NUMBER INVOLVED 2
MAKE(S)		SERIAL
PRATT & WHITNEY PW305A		NO. PCE-CA0319 PCE-CA0318
PROPELLERS		TOTAL NUMBER INVOLVED
MAKE(S)		SERIAL NO.
SPARE PARTS -LOCATIONS		TOTAL NUMBER INVOLVED
LOCATION		
RECORDED CONVEYANCE FILED IN: N699DA LEARJET 60 SERIAL 237		

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**AIRCRAFT LEASE  
(N699DA)**

**DATED AS OF MARCH 30, 2001**

**between**

**FLEET NATIONAL BANK  
as Lessor**

**and**

**SM 5105 LLC  
as Lessee**

**This is Counterpart No. 5 of a total of 5 counterparts. Only Counterpart No. 1 shall be considered  
chattel paper for purposes of the Uniform Commercial Code and a security interest may be perfected  
only by possession of Counterpart No. 1.**

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## EXHIBIT A - Definitions

Lease Supplement No. 1

Schedule No. 1 to Lease Supplement No. 1

Schedule No. 2 to Lease Supplement No. 1

Schedule No. 2-A to Lease Supplement No. 1 \*

Schedule No. 3 to Lease Supplement No. 1 \*

Schedule No. 4 to Lease Supplement No. 1 \*

Lease Supplement No. 2

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EXHIBIT B - Warranty Bill of Sale

EXHIBIT C - Special Tax Indemnity Rider \*

Insurance Addendum

Purchase, Early Purchase and Renewal Option Addendum

Maintenance and Return Addendum

Upgrade Addendum

\* to be deleted from FAA filing copy and copy of lease to be placed on board the Aircraft

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## AIRCRAFT LEASE

THIS AIRCRAFT LEASE (together with all Supplements, Exhibits, Riders and Addenda hereto, the "Lease") is made and entered into as of March 30, 2001 by and between FLEET NATIONAL BANK, a national banking association organized under the laws of the United States of America ("Lessor"), with a place of business at c/o Fleet Capital Corporation, One Financial Plaza, Fifth Floor, Providence, RI 02903-2305, and SM 5105 LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Lessee"), c/o 38500 Woodward Avenue, Suite 100, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304. Certain capitalized terms as used in this Lease are defined in Exhibit A hereto, and such definitions are hereby incorporated herein and made a part hereof as though set forth herein in full.

ADMINISTRATION

## Section 1. Lease and Acceptance of Aircraft.

Subject to the satisfaction of each condition set forth in Section 2, Lessor hereby agrees to purchase the Aircraft from the Supplier pursuant to that certain Aircraft Purchase Agreement specified in Section 1 of Lease Supplement No. 2 hereto and to lease the same to Lessee and Lessee hereby agrees to lease the same from Lessor for the Basic Term hereof pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Lease. The sale of the Aircraft to Lessor shall include all of Supplier's right, title and interest in and to the Aircraft.

Lessor hereby appoints Lessee as Lessor's agent for the sole and limited purpose of accepting delivery of the Aircraft from the Supplier. The execution by Lessee of Lease Supplement No. 1 shall evidence that the Aircraft is leased under, and is subject to all of the terms, provisions and conditions of, this Lease and constitute Lessee's unconditional and irrevocable acceptance of the Aircraft for all purposes of this Lease. Except as may be expressly set forth herein, this Lease is non-cancelable and non-terminable by Lessee.

## Section 2. Conditions to Closing.

(a) Conditions Precedent. Lessor's obligations to purchase the Aircraft from the Supplier and to lease the Aircraft to Lessee, shall each be both subject to and conditioned upon all of the following conditions being satisfied:

(i) Lessor shall have received the Closing Documents set forth on Lease Supplement No. 2 hereto, all in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to Lessor.

(ii) No material adverse change in the financial condition of Lessee has occurred since the date of the last financial statements furnished to Lessor as set forth on Schedule No. 2 to Lease Supplement No. 1.

(iii) Lessee's acceptance of the Aircraft on or before the Acceptance Date.

(iv) In addition to the above listed conditions precedent, Lessee covenants and agrees that upon Lessor's acknowledgment that all the conditions to the sale and lease as aforesaid have been satisfied, Lessee shall authorize the release, and cause each Guarantor to release, from escrow, to Lessor of the documents held by FAA Counsel on behalf of Lessee and shall authorize FAA Counsel to file and record all appropriate documentation with the FAA on the Acceptance Date.

(b) Conditions Subsequent. Lessee shall comply with the Conditions Subsequent set forth in Lease Supplement No. 2 hereto.

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## Section 3. Term and Rent.

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(a) The leasing of the Aircraft by Lessor to Lessee shall commence on the Acceptance Date and end on the Expiration Date each as set forth on Schedule No. 2 to Lease Supplement No. 1, unless this Lease shall have been earlier terminated, cancelled or extended.

(b) Lessee shall pay to Lessor as basic rent (herein referred to as "Basic Rent") the following:

(i) On the Acceptance Date, an amount equal to the Daily Lease Rate, multiplied by the number of days elapsed from and including the Acceptance Date with respect to the Aircraft to but excluding the Rent Commencement Date.

(ii) On the First Basic Rent Date and on each Basic Rent Date thereafter, to and including the Last Basic Rent Date, an amount equal to the Basic Rent set forth on Schedule 2-A to Lease Supplement No. 1.

(iii) After the Expiration Date until the Aircraft is returned to the Lessor in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Lease, an amount equal to the Basic Rent. Such amount shall be payable from and after the Expiration Date until the return of the Aircraft to the Lessor as provided under this Lease. Such amount shall be payable on the same dates and with the same frequency as Basic Rent was payable during the Term.

(c) In addition, Lessee shall pay to Lessor the following amounts (herein referred to as "Supplemental Rent" and, together with all Basic Rent, collectively as "Rent"):

- (i) any other amount payable hereunder which Lessee assumes the obligation to pay, or agrees to pay, under this Lease to Lessor or others;
- (ii) on the date provided herein, any amount payable hereunder as Casualty Value and/or any amounts due pursuant to any Rider or Addendum hereto plus any and all amounts regarding the same;
- (iii) interest at the lesser of the Late Payment Rate or the highest rate of interest permitted by applicable law for the number of days actually elapsed on any amount payable hereunder not paid when due.

The expiration, cancellation or other termination of Lessee's obligation to pay Basic Rent hereunder shall not terminate, limit or modify the obligations of Lessee with respect to Supplemental Rent, which shall survive such expiration, cancellation or other termination of the Lease.

(d) All payments of Rent or other amounts required hereunder shall be made to Lessor in immediately available United States funds on the date payable hereunder at the address designated by Lessor for payment, by wire transfer to an account specified by Lessor or at such other address or to such other Person as Lessor may direct by notice in writing to Lessee.

#### Section 4. Title; Quiet Possession and Use.

Title to the Aircraft shall at all times remain in Lessor (or such other entity as Lessor shall designate) and at no time during the Term shall title become vested in Lessee. Unless Lessee exercises its purchase option, Lessee shall acquire no right, title or interest in or to the Aircraft except the right to use the Aircraft pursuant to the terms of this Lease.

Lessor warrants that during the term of this Lease, so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing hereunder, Lessee's possession and use of the Aircraft shall not be divested or interfered with by Lessor or anyone claiming by, through or under Lessor.

The warranty set forth hereinabove is in lieu of all other warranties of Lessor, whether written, oral or implied, with respect to this Lease or the Aircraft, and Lessor shall not be deemed to have modified in any respect the obligations of Lessee pursuant to Section 7 hereof, which obligations are and shall remain absolute, irrevocable and unconditional under all events and circumstances whatsoever.

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## Section 5. Disclaimer and Assignment of Warranties.

LESSEE EXPRESSLY ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT HAS SELECTED THE AIRCRAFT WITHOUT ANY ASSISTANCE FROM LESSOR, ITS AGENTS OR EMPLOYEES AND LESSEE EXPRESSLY AGREES THAT IT IS LEASING THE AIRCRAFT FROM LESSOR IN AN "AS IS" CONDITION. LESSEE FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE LESSOR HAS NOT MANUFACTURED OR SUPPLIED THE AIRCRAFT AND THAT THE LESSOR ACQUIRED OR WILL ACQUIRE THE AIRCRAFT AND/OR THE RIGHT TO POSSESSION THERETO IN CONNECTION WITH THIS LEASE. LESSOR SHALL NOT BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE, AND LESSOR HEREBY EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMS, ANY REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY (EXCEPT FOR THE WARRANTY OF QUIET POSSESSION AND USE), EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AS TO THE AIRCRAFT, ANY PART THEREOF, ANY RECORDS, OR ANY MATTER WHATSOEVER, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THE DESIGN, CONDITION, CAPACITY OR DURABILITY OF THE AIRCRAFT, ITS MERCHANTABILITY OR ITS FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE, USE OR OPERATION, THE QUALITY OF THE MATERIALS OR WORKMANSHIP OF THE AIRCRAFT, ITS VALUE OR AIRWORTHINESS, TITLE, SAFETY, THE ABSENCE OF ANY PATENT, TRADEMARK OR COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT OR LATENT DEFECT (WHETHER OR NOT DISCOVERABLE BY LESSEE), COMPLIANCE OF THE AIRCRAFT WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF ANY LAW, RULE, REGULATION OR STANDARD PERTAINING THERETO, OR THE CONFORMITY OF THE AIRCRAFT TO THE PROVISIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS OF ANY PURCHASE DOCUMENT RELATING THERETO OR ANY INTERFERENCE OR ANY COURSE OF PERFORMANCE, COURSE OF DEALING OR USAGE OF TRADE, NOR SHALL LESSOR BE LIABLE, REGARDLESS OF ANY ACTUAL OR ALLEGED NEGLIGENCE OF LESSOR, FOR ANY DEFECTS, EITHER PATENT OR LATENT (WHETHER OR NOT DISCOVERABLE BY LESSEE), IN THE AIRCRAFT OR ANY PART THEREOF OR ANY DIRECT OR INDIRECT DAMAGE TO PERSONS OR PROPERTY RESULTING THEREFROM OR FOR ANY DIRECT, INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL, SPECIAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES OR FOR STRICT OR ABSOLUTE LIABILITY IN TORT. WITHOUT LIMITING THE GENERALITY OF THE FOREGOING, LESSEE HEREBY WAIVES ANY CLAIM (INCLUDING ANY CLAIM BASED ON STRICT OR ABSOLUTE LIABILITY IN TORT OR INFRINGEMENT) IT MIGHT HAVE AGAINST LESSOR FOR ANY LOSS, DAMAGE OR EXPENSE (INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, DIRECT, INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL, SPECIAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGE, ANY LOSS OF BUSINESS OR PROFITS OR ANY INTERRUPTION OR LOSS OF SERVICE OR USE THEREOF) CAUSED BY THE AIRCRAFT OR BY LESSEE'S LOSS OF USE THEREOF FOR ANY REASON WHATSOEVER.

If the Aircraft is not delivered, does not operate as warranted, becomes obsolete, or is unsatisfactory for any reason whatsoever, Lessee shall make all claims on account thereof solely against the Manufacturer or Supplier and not against Lessor, and Lessee shall nevertheless pay all Rent and other sums payable hereunder. Lessee acknowledges that neither the Manufacturer or Supplier nor any sales representative or agent thereof, is an agent of Lessor, and no agreement or representation as to the Aircraft or any other matter by any such sales representative or agent of the Manufacturer or Supplier shall in any way affect Lessee's obligations hereunder.

So long and only so long as an Event of Default hereunder shall not have occurred and be continuing, and so long and only so long as the Aircraft shall be subject to this Lease and Lessee shall be entitled to possession of the Aircraft hereunder, Lessor assigns to Lessee and authorizes Lessee, at Lessee's expense, to assert for Lessor's account, all rights, claims and powers of Lessor against any manufacturer, supplier, vendor or dealer, including without limitation, any rights arising under any manufacturer's, vendor's or dealer's warranty on the Aircraft or any part thereof, (including, without limitation, any warranty of Manufacturer or Supplier). Notwithstanding the foregoing, Lessee shall not attempt to enforce any such performance in the name of Lessor by legal proceeding without Lessor's prior written approval. Lessor reserves the right to approve all pleadings and legal process bearing its name. Further, Lessor agrees to provide its reasonable cooperation to Lessee, at Lessee's expense, in connection with Lessee's exercise of the rights and powers assigned above.

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**Section 6. Representations, Warranties and Agreements of Lessee.**

Lessee represents, warrants and agrees as follows:

(a) Due Organization. Lessee has the form of business organization indicated in the caption of this Lease and is duly organized and existing in good standing under the laws of the state listed in the caption of this Lease and is duly qualified to do business wherever necessary to carry on its present business and operations, including, without limitation, the Primary Hangar Location, and to own its property.

(b) Due Authorization; No Violation. This Lease has been duly authorized by all necessary action on the part of Lessee consistent with its form of organization, does not require any further shareholder, member or partner approval, does not require the approval of, or the giving notice to, any Federal, state, local or foreign governmental authority (including, without limitation, the Department of Transportation and/or the FAA) and does not contravene any law binding on Lessee or contravene any provision of, or constitute a default under any certificate or articles of incorporation or organization or by-laws or partnership certificate or agreement, or any agreement, indenture, or other instrument to which Lessee is a party or by which it may be bound.

(c) Enforceability. This Lease has been duly executed and delivered by authorized representatives of Lessee and constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of Lessee enforceable in accordance with its terms.

(d) Reserved.

(e) Furnishing of Information. Lessee agrees that it shall furnish from time to time to Lessor such information relating to Lessee, its subsidiaries and/or affiliates as Lessor shall reasonably request.

(f) Name and Location of Chief Executive Offices. The chief executive offices and principal place of business of Lessee is located at the address set forth in Schedule No. 2 to Lease Supplement No. 1, and Lessee agrees to give Lessor thirty (30) days' prior written notice of any relocation of said chief executive offices or principal place of business from its present location, or of any change in its name or identity. Since its organization effective as of October 4, 2000, Lessee has not changed its name, done business under any other names, changed its chief place of business from its present location or merged or been the surviving entity of any merger.

(g) Documents on Board. A current and valid Registration Application or Certificate of Aircraft Registration and Standard Airworthiness Certificate (FAA Form AC 8100-2) pertaining to the Aircraft and a copy of this Lease and the Lease Supplements, will be kept on board the Aircraft at all times during the Term. In addition, for all operations outside the continental United States, the Lessee shall maintain either a permanent Certificate of Registration or "fly-time wire" (FAA Standard Form 14) on board the Aircraft.

(h) Litigation. There are no proceedings pending or, so far as the officers of Lessee know, threatened against or affecting Lessee or any of its property before any court, administrative officer or administrative agency which would, directly or indirectly, adversely affect or impair the title of Lessor to the Aircraft, or which, if decided adversely, materially and adversely affect the financial condition or operations of Lessee or the ability of Lessee to perform its obligations under this Lease.

(i) No Adverse Mortgages. The right, title and interest of Lessor in and to the Aircraft and the Rent will not be adversely affected or impaired by the terms of any mortgage, loan agreement or indenture or any other contract, agreement or instrument to which Lessee is a party, or under which it or any of its property is or may become bound. In addition, no mortgage, deed of trust, or other Lien which now covers or affects, or which may hereafter cover or affect, any property or interest therein of Lessee, now attaches or hereafter will attach to the Aircraft, the Airframe or any Engine, or in any manner affects or will affect adversely Lessor's right, title and interest therein.

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(j) Taxes. Lessee has filed or caused to be filed and will continue to file all Federal, state and local tax returns which are required to be filed, and has paid or caused to be paid and will continue to pay all taxes shown to be due and payable on such returns or (except to the extent being contested in good faith) on any assessment received by Lessee, to the extent that such taxes have heretofore or in the future become due and payable.

(k) Possession and Liens. Except as permitted by this Lease, Lessee will not sell, convey, transfer, exchange, lease or otherwise relinquish possession or dispose of the Aircraft, Engine or Part (except for delivery of possession of the Aircraft or any Engine or Part to another Person for testing, service, repair, maintenance, overhaul or, to the extent permitted hereby, alteration or modification), or attempt or offer to do any of the foregoing. Lessee will not directly or indirectly, voluntarily or involuntarily, create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Liens on or with respect to the Aircraft or any Part, Lessor's title thereto or any interest of Lessor therein (and Lessee will promptly, at its own expense, take such action as Lessor deems necessary or advisable to duly discharge any such Lien), except Permitted Liens. In the event that Lessee fails to take action to discharge or remove any such Lien, Lessor may take such action as it deems necessary or appropriate to discharge or remove such Lien. Lessee shall reimburse Lessor on demand for any costs incurred by Lessor in connection with such action together with interest at the Late Payment Rate. Lessor's rights hereunder are in addition to, and not in derogation of, any other rights which Lessor may have hereunder, at law or in equity.

(l) Good Title. Lessor will be the owner of the Aircraft as of the Acceptance Date and will have good and marketable title to the Aircraft, free and clear of all Liens other than any Liens created in favor of Lessor under this Lease or other Permitted Liens.

(m) Records. Lessee has reviewed all Records with respect to the operation and maintenance of the Aircraft prior to the Acceptance Date and, to Lessee's knowledge, such Records have been kept in accordance with the requirements of the FAA rules and regulations and industry standards. Lessee shall maintain all such Records during the Term in accordance with the requirements of the FAA, and any manufacturer's maintenance programs or requirements as the requirements of this Lease.

(n) Addenda, Exhibits and Riders. Lessee shall perform all of its agreements, undertakings and obligations set forth in the Addenda, Exhibits and Riders hereto and shall comply with all of the terms and conditions set forth in such Addenda, Exhibits and Riders.

(o) U.S. Citizen. Lessee is and will continue to be a "citizen of the United States" within the meaning set forth in 49 USC Section 40102 (a) (15).

(p) Engines. Each of the Engines has 750 or greater rated takeoff horsepower or the equivalent of such horsepower.

(q) Incidental Use. The operation of the Aircraft by Lessee is incidental to a business purpose of Lessee (other than the business of transportation by air).

(r) Due Authorization of Guarantor, No Violation. Each Guarantor has been duly authorized by all necessary action on the part of such Guarantor consistent with its form of organization, does not require any further approval, does not require the approval of, or the giving notice to, any Federal, state, local or foreign governmental authority (including, without limitation, the Department of Transportation and/or the FAA) and does not contravene any law binding on such Guarantor or contravene any provision of, or constitute a default under any certificate or articles of incorporation or organization or by-laws or partnership certificate or agreement, or any agreement, indenture, or other instrument to which such Guarantor is a party or by which it may be bound.

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(s) Binding Obligations of Guarantor. Each Guarantor has been duly executed and delivered by an authorized representative of such Guarantor and constitutes the legal, valid and binding obligations of such Guarantor enforceable against such Guarantor in accordance with its respective terms, except to the extent that enforcement may be limited under applicable bankruptcy and insolvency laws.

(t) Litigation Regarding Guarantor. There are no proceedings pending or, so far as the officers or other authorized parties of Lessee know, threatened against or affecting either Guarantor or any of its property before any court, administrative officer or administrative agency that would, if decided adversely, materially and adversely affect the financial condition or operations of such Guarantor or the ability of such Guarantor to perform its obligations under the Guaranty to which it is a party.

(u) Guarantor Financial Statements. Lessee agrees to cause Corporate Guarantor to make available to Lessor (i) as soon as available, and in any event within one hundred twenty (120) days after the last day of each fiscal year of Corporate Guarantor, a copy of the balance sheet of Corporate Guarantor as of the end of such fiscal year, and related statements of income and retained earnings of Corporate Guarantor for such fiscal year, all in reasonable detail prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles consistently applied and certified by an independent certified public accounting firm of recognized standing and which is reasonably acceptable to Lessor, each on a comparative basis with corresponding statements for the prior fiscal year; and (ii) within forty five (45) days after the last day of each fiscal quarter of Corporate Guarantor (except the last fiscal quarter of any fiscal year), a copy of the balance sheet of Corporate Guarantor as of the end of each such quarter, and statement of income and retained earnings covering the fiscal year to date of Corporate Guarantor, each on a comparative basis with the corresponding period of the prior year, all in reasonable detail and certified by the treasurer or principal financial officer of Corporate Guarantor. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that Corporate Guarantor has debt or equity securities regulated by the SEC, Corporate Guarantor shall make available to Lessor all reports, forms and other filings, if any, required to be made by Corporate Guarantor to the SEC including, without limitation, any SEC Forms 10-K and 10-Q and related reports or documents within thirty (30) days after the date on which they are filed and this shall be deemed to satisfy the requirements of this paragraph. All credit, financial and other information provided by Corporate Guarantor or at Corporate Guarantor's direction is, and all such information hereafter furnished will be, true, correct and complete in all material respects.

(v) Consideration for Guaranty. Each Guarantor will receive reasonably equivalent value and adequate and sufficient consideration in exchange for the giving of the Guaranty to which it is a party. Neither Guarantor is insolvent on the date hereof and neither will become insolvent after giving effect to the Guaranty to which it is a party and the contingent liabilities contained herein. Each Guarantor has sufficient capital to perform its obligations under the Guaranty to which it is a party. The performance of the obligations by each Guarantor under the Guaranty to which it is a party will not cause each Guarantor to exceed its ability to pay its debts as they mature.

#### Section 7. Net Lease.

This Lease is a net lease, and Lessee acknowledges and agrees that Lessee's obligation to pay all Rent hereunder and the rights of Lessor in and to such Rent, shall be absolute, irrevocable and unconditional and shall not be subject to cancellation, termination, modification or repudiation by Lessee or any abatement, reduction, setoff, defense, counterclaim or recoupment (collectively, "Abatements") for any reason or under any circumstance whatsoever, including, without limitation, Abatements due to any present or future claims of Lessee against Lessor, its successors and assigns whether under this Lease or otherwise, the Manufacturer, the Supplier or any other Person for whatever reason. Lessee hereby waives any and all existing and future claims to any Abatement against such Rent, and agrees to pay all such Rent regardless of any Abatement which may be asserted in connection with this Lease, the Aircraft or otherwise. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, this Lease shall not terminate, nor shall the obligations of Lessee be affected, by reason of any defect in or damage to, or any loss or destruction of, the Aircraft or any part thereof from whatsoever cause, or the invalidity or unenforceability or lack of due authorization of this Lease or lack of

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right, power or authority of Lessor to enter into this Lease, or for any other cause, whether similar or dissimilar to the foregoing, any present or future law or regulation to the contrary notwithstanding, it being the express intention of Lessor and Lessee that all Rent payable to Lessor hereunder shall be, and continue to be, payable in all events unless and until the obligation to pay the same shall be terminated pursuant to the express provisions of this Lease.

#### Section 8. Taxes.

Lessee agrees to: (i) file directly with all appropriate taxing authorities all declarations, returns, inventories and other documentation with respect to any personal property taxes (or any other taxes in the nature of or imposed in lieu of property taxes) due or to become due with respect to the Aircraft and shall pay on or before the date when due all such taxes assessed, billed or otherwise payable with respect to the Aircraft directly to the appropriate taxing authorities and (ii) (a) pay when due as requested by Lessor and (b) defend and indemnify Lessor against liability for all license and/or registration fees, assessments, and sales, use, property, excise, privilege and other taxes (including any related interest or penalties) or other charges or fees now or hereafter imposed by any governmental body or agency upon the Aircraft or with respect to landing, airport use, manufacturing, ordering, shipment, purchase, ownership, delivery, installation, leasing, operation, possession, use, return, or other disposition thereof or the rentals hereunder (other than taxes on or measured by the net income of Lessor or attributable to the period commencing on the later of (i) the return or sale to a third party of the Aircraft in accordance with the terms of this Lease or (ii) the expiration or earlier termination of this Lease in accordance with the terms hereof) (the items referred to in (i) and (ii) above being referred to herein as "Impositions"). Any Impositions which are not paid when due and which are paid by Lessor shall, at Lessor's option, become immediately due from Lessee to Lessor. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Lessee shall pay, indemnify Lessor for and hold Lessor harmless on a net after-tax basis from and against, all Impositions on or measured by the net income of Lessor imposed against Lessor by any local or foreign government or other local or foreign taxing authority if and to the extent that Lessor would not have incurred such Impositions but for the operation or presence of the Aircraft within the jurisdiction asserting an Imposition. Any payment described in the immediately preceding sentence shall not exceed an amount equal to the product of: (A) the tax rate of the government or other taxing authority imposing the tax, times (B) the Basic Rent which would have been allocated or apportioned to the taxing jurisdiction on a stand-alone basis separate from the Lessor's other income. Provided that no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, Lessee may contest, if permitted by law to do so, and if not may request that Lessor contest, in either case at Lessee's sole expense, any assessment or billing of such Impositions in which the amount at issue exceeds \$10,000 (and, if permitted by applicable law, may withhold payment of any such Impositions during the pendency of the contest), provided that any such contest does not result in the imposition of any Lien on, or risk of forfeiture of, the Aircraft. Lessor shall notify Lessee of any such billing or assessment, shall cooperate with Lessee in any contest conducted by Lessee, and shall not compromise any contest conducted by Lessor without Lessee's consent. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary Lessee will not be liable for any penalties, fines, or interest resulting from any acts or omissions of Lessor.

#### Section 9. Compliance and Use.

Lessee agrees to comply with all laws, regulations and governmental orders related to this Lease and/or the Aircraft, its use or possession. The Aircraft shall be used in furtherance of Lessee's business or other objectives. The Aircraft shall be used solely in a passenger configuration for which Lessee is duly authorized by the FAA. Lessee will not operate or permit the Aircraft to be operated at any time or in any geographic area when or where insurance required by the provisions hereof shall not be in effect. Lessee will not operate or permit the Aircraft to be operated in a manner, for any time period, such that Lessor or a third party (except, where expressly permitted hereunder, an air carrier or air taxi operator certificated under Part 121 or Part 135 of the Federal Aviation Regulations) shall be deemed to have "operational control" of the Aircraft. Without the prior written consent of Lessor or except as otherwise expressly permitted hereunder, Lessee shall not operate or permit the Aircraft to be operated under Part 135 of the Federal Aviation Regulations. Throughout the Term, the possession, use and maintenance of the Aircraft shall be at the sole

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risk and expense of Lessee and the Aircraft shall be based at the Primary Hangar Location set forth in Schedule No. 2 to Lease Supplement No. 1. At all times the Aircraft will be operated only by duly qualified, currently certificated pilots as required by the insurance policies required under this Lease. IN ADDITION, EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY PERMITTED BY THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPH, THE AIRCRAFT SHALL NOT BE OPERATED, USED OR LOCATED OUTSIDE THE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Lessor agrees that the Aircraft may be flown temporarily to any country in the world in connection with the conduct of Lessee's business; provided, however, that in no event may the Aircraft temporarily fly, be operated, used or located in, to or over any such country or area (1) which is excluded from coverage by any insurance policy in effect with respect to such Aircraft or by any insurance policy required by the terms hereof or any country or area not specifically and fully covered by such insurance; (2) in a recognized or threatened area of hostility unless fully covered to Lessor's satisfaction by hull, political, expropriation, hijacking and war risk insurance or (3) with which the United States of America does not maintain favorable diplomatic relations. Lessee further agrees that it shall not operate the Aircraft, or permit the Aircraft to be operated in any manner unless the insurance coverages set forth herein are in full force and effect.

#### Section 10. Loss or Damage.

(a) Event of Loss with Respect to the Aircraft. Upon the occurrence of any Event of Loss with respect to the Airframe and/or Aircraft, Lessee shall notify Lessor of any such Event of Loss within ten (10) days of the date thereof. On the next Basic Rent Date which is at least sixty (60) days following the date of such notice, but in no event more than ninety (90) days after such notice (or, if such Event of Loss occurs after the Last Basic Rent Date, within sixty (60) days after such notice), Lessee shall pay to Lessor any Rent then due, plus the Casualty Value of the Aircraft determined as of the Basic Rent Date immediately following the date of such notice, together with interest at the Late Payment Rate for the period (if any) from the Basic Rent Date following the date of such notice through the date of payment. Upon making such payment and all Rent due and owing, Lessee's obligation to pay further Basic Rent for the Aircraft subsequent to such payment shall cease, but Lessee's obligation to pay Supplemental Rent as well as any other amounts due under this Lease, if any, for the Aircraft shall remain unchanged. Except in the case of loss, permanent disappearance, destruction or Return to Manufacturer, and unless possession thereof is required to be delivered to a third party insurance carrier in order to settle an insurance claim, Lessor shall be entitled to recover possession of the Aircraft and Lessor shall be entitled to any salvage value in excess of the Casualty Value paid to Lessor. In the event of a Return to Manufacturer, Lessor agrees that Lessee shall receive and retain all amounts payable to Lessor by the Manufacturer up to the amount, if any, of the Casualty Value actually paid by Lessee hereunder, but any excess shall be retained by Lessor. With respect to a Requisition of Use, Lessor agrees that Lessee shall receive and retain all amounts paid by any governmental authority up to the Casualty Value actually paid by Lessee hereunder, and any excess shall be paid over to, and retained by, Lessor. Lessor shall be under no duty to Lessee to pursue any claim against any Person in connection with an Event of Loss, but Lessee may at its own cost and expense and with Lessor's prior written consent pursue the same on behalf of Lessor in such manner as may be reasonably acceptable to Lessor, which consent (including as to the manner in which such claim is pursued), Lessor agrees shall not be unreasonably withheld.

(b) Event of Loss with Respect to an Engine. Upon an Event of Loss with respect to any Engine under circumstances in which there has not occurred an Event of Loss with respect to the Airframe upon which such Engine was installed, Lessee shall give Lessor prompt written notice thereof and shall within thirty (30) days after the occurrence of such Event of Loss, duly convey to Lessor title to a similar or better engine of the same make and model number as the Engine suffering the Event of Loss. Such engine shall be free and clear of all Liens, have a value, utility, and useful life at least equal to, and be in as good an operating condition as, the Engine suffering the Event of Loss, assuming such Engine was of the value and utility and in the condition and repair required by the terms hereof immediately prior to the occurrence of such Event of Loss. Lessee, at its own cost and expense, shall furnish Lessor with such documents to evidence such conveyance as Lessor shall request. Upon full compliance by Lessee with the terms of this paragraph,

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Lessor will transfer to Lessee, without recourse, representation or warranty of any kind whatsoever other than as to the absence of Lessor's Liens, all of Lessor's right, title and interest, if any, in and to the Engine suffering the Event of Loss. **SUCH TRANSFER SHALL BE "AS-IS, WHERE-IS" AND LESSOR SHALL NOT BE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE, AND LESSOR HEREBY DISCLAIMS, ANY REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AS TO THE ENGINE SO TRANSFERRED TO LESSEE** other than as to the absence of Lessor's Liens. Each such replacement engine shall, after such conveyance be deemed an **"Engine"** as defined herein and shall be deemed part of the same Aircraft as was the Engine replaced thereby. No Event of Loss with respect to an Engine shall result in any reduction or delay in the payment of Basic Rent or relieve Lessee of any obligation under this Lease.

(c) **Risk of Loss.** Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Section, until Lessee tenders delivery of the Aircraft to Lessor in accordance with the provisions of the M&R Addendum, Lessee shall bear the risk of loss, damage or partial destruction of the Aircraft and shall not be released from its obligations hereunder in the event of any damage to the Aircraft or any part thereof or any Event of Loss relating thereto.

#### Section 11. Indemnification.

Lessee assumes liability for, and hereby agrees to indemnify, protect, save, defend and keep harmless Lessor, its agents, employees, officers, directors, shareholders, subsidiaries, affiliates, successors and assigns (collectively **"Lessor"**), on a net after-tax basis, from and against any and all liabilities, obligations, losses, damages, penalties, claims (including, without limitation, claims involving or alleging product liability or strict or absolute liability in tort), actions, suits, demands, costs, expenses and disbursements (including, without limitation, legal fees and expenses) of any kind and nature whatsoever (**"Claims"**) which may be imposed on, incurred by or asserted against Lessor, whether or not Lessor shall also be indemnified as to any such Claim by any other Person, in any way relating to or arising out of this Lease or any documents contemplated hereby, or the performance or enforcement of any of the terms hereof or thereof, or in any way relating to or arising out of the assertion or enforcement of any manufacturer's, vendor's or dealer's warranties on the Aircraft or any part thereof, (including, without limitation, any warranty of any Manufacturer or Supplier), the manufacture, inspection, construction, purchase, pooling, interchange, acceptance, rejection, ownership, titling or re-titling, delivery, lease, sublease, possession, use, operation, maintenance, management, condition, registration or re-registration, sale, return, removal, repossession, storage or other disposition of the Aircraft or any part thereof or any accident in connection therewith (including, without limitation, latent and other defects, whether or not discoverable, and any Claim for patent, trademark or copyright infringement). Lessee's obligations to make indemnification payments to Lessor pursuant to this Section 11 shall be reduced by any insurance proceeds and any indemnity, contribution or similar payment if and to the extent actually received by Lessor in good and indefeasible funds; provided, however, (i) Lessor shall have no responsibility to pursue the recovery of any such amounts as a condition to pursuing or recovering any indemnity hereunder or otherwise, (ii) Lessee's obligations under this Section 11 shall not be conditioned upon or delayed by Lessee's or Lessor's recovery or pursuit of such amounts from any third party, and (iii) Lessor's rights hereunder shall not be limited, impaired or otherwise adversely affected by any action or omission relating thereto. To the extent that a Claim indemnified by the Lessee under this Section 11 is in fact paid in full by the Lessee and/or an insurer under a policy of insurance maintained by the Lessee, the Lessee and/or such insurer as the case may be shall, so long as no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, be subrogated to the extent of such payment to the rights and remedies of the Lessor party on whose behalf such Claim was paid with respect to the transaction or event giving rise to such Claim (other than the rights and remedies in respect of insurance policies maintained by such Lessor party).

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Lessee shall not be required to indemnify Lessor for (a) any Claim caused solely and directly by the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Lessor or (b) any Claim in respect of the Aircraft arising from acts or events which occur after (x) possession of the Aircraft has been redelivered to Lessor (which return and delivery shall be in material compliance with the terms of this Lease) and (y) any and all other obligations of any kind whatsoever of the Lessee under this Lease which have been fully paid and/or performed, as the case may be, unless any such Claims were caused by Lessee (or any

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stockholder, director, officer, employee, successor, assignee, agent or servant of the Lessee) or resulted or arose, directly or indirectly, from any acts, events or omissions of any kind whatsoever during the Term of this Lease.

The liability of Lessee to make indemnification payments shall, notwithstanding any expiration, cancellation or other termination (whether voluntary, as the result of a Default or Event of Default, or otherwise) of this Lease, continue to exist until such indemnity payments are irrevocably made in full by Lessee and received by Lessor. If any Claim is made against Lessee or Lessor, the party receiving notice of such Claim shall promptly notify the other, but the failure of the party receiving notice to so notify the other shall not relieve Lessee of any obligation hereunder.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Lessee's indemnification obligations with respect to Impositions are set forth in Section 8 hereto.

#### Section 12. Assignment and Sublease.

EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT EXPRESSLY PROVIDED FOR HEREIN OR IN ANY WRITTEN CONSENT ENTERED INTO IN CONNECTION HEREWITH, LESSEE SHALL NOT SELL, TRANSFER, ASSIGN, CHARTER, SUBLEASE (WITH OR WITHOUT ONE OR MORE CREWMEMBERS), CONVEY, PLEDGE, MORTGAGE OR OTHERWISE ENCUMBER ITS OR LESSOR'S INTEREST IN AND TO THE LEASE OR THE AIRCRAFT, AND ANY SUCH SALE, TRANSFER, ASSIGNMENT, CHARTER, SUBLEASE, CONVEYANCE, PLEDGE, MORTGAGE OR ENCUMBRANCE, WHETHER BY OPERATION OF LAW OR OTHERWISE, WITHOUT THE PRIOR WRITTEN CONSENT OF LESSOR (WHICH CONSENT SHALL NOT BE UNREASONABLY WITHHELD) SHALL BE NULL AND VOID. IN ADDITION, LESSEE SHALL NOT ENTER INTO ANY INTERCHANGE AGREEMENT AFFECTING THE AIRCRAFT OR RELINQUISH POSSESSION OF THE AIRFRAME OR ANY ENGINE OR INSTALL ANY ENGINE OR PART, OR PERMIT ANY ENGINE OR PART TO BE INSTALLED, ON ANY AIRFRAME OTHER THAN THE AIRFRAME LEASED HEREUNDER EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY SET FORTH HEREIN. Notwithstanding the foregoing limitations Lessee shall be permitted to conduct the carriage of the Lessee and/or guests pursuant to 14 CFR Section 91.501 (b) (4), affiliated group operations pursuant to 14 CFR Section 91.501 (b) (5) and/or (6), demonstration flights pursuant to 14 CFR Section 91.501 (b) (3), time sharing or interchange operations pursuant to 14 CFR Section 91.501(b) (6), the carriage of customers pursuant to 14 CFR Section 91.501 (b) (9) and/or the carriage of candidates in Federal elections conducted pursuant to 14 CFR Section 91.321. In addition, the foregoing shall be not be deemed to prohibit the delivery of possession of the Aircraft, any Engine or Part to another Person for testing, service, repair, maintenance, overhaul or, to the extent permitted hereby, alteration or modification. No acceptance, assignment, subletting, relinquishment or installation shall in any event relieve Lessee of primary, absolute and unconditional liability for its duties and obligations under this Lease.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Lessor acknowledges that Lessee may do as follows:

(a) Lessee may enter into a management agreement with regard to the Aircraft between Lessee and Manager (hereinafter the "Management Agreement") and Manager or its designee (pursuant to an agreement acceptable to Lessor in its reasonable discretion; which agreement, for the purposes hereof shall also be referred to as the "Management Agreement") and may charter the Aircraft (any such charterer, an "Operator") to any customer of Operator from time to time (hereinafter a "Charter") pursuant to the following terms and conditions:

(i) Any Management Agreement shall provide that it shall terminate at the option of Lessor, upon the expiration or earlier termination of this Lease, including, without limitation, any termination or expiration occasioned by the exercise by Lessee of its options set forth in the Purchase, Early Purchase and Renewal Option Addendum, and the term of any such Management Agreement shall not exceed the then remaining Term of this Lease (including, any Renewal Term as to which the option to renew has been irrevocably exercised).

(ii) Operator shall maintain a current and valid Air Carrier Certificate issued by the FAA and Operator shall at all times be in full compliance with Federal Aviation Act Regulation Part 135 or any other applicable statutes, laws, rules, regulations and parts with respect to any such Management Agreement and/or use and operation of the Aircraft under any such Management Agreement.

(iii) With respect to any Management Agreement, to the extent that it has not already done so, Lessee agrees to assign, and does hereby assign, as collateral security, and grant, and does hereby grant, to Lessor a security interest in (i) all proceeds of insurance payable to Lessee pursuant to the Management Agreement and Charter, and (ii) all rights and remedies of Lessee under the Management Agreement and proceeds from the exercise thereof all to secure payment and performance of all of Lessee's liabilities, obligations and indebtedness under this Lease. Lessor's security interest which is created hereby, if Lessor so elects, may be perfected by possession of the Management Agreement rather than filing, as provided in the UCC. Until the occurrence of an Event of Default hereunder, Lessee shall have the right to collect and receive, in accordance with the terms hereof, all sums payable under such Management Agreement and to retain, use and enjoy the same. The filing of this Lease with the FAA shall constitute notice to all third parties, including, without limitation, the Operator, of the security interest of Lessor in any such Management Agreement without the need for the filing of a specific assignment thereof.

(iv) Lessee shall deliver to the Lessor a fully executed copy of each and every Management Agreement, which is, and will be, the only copy of such Management Agreement marked "Secured Party's Original." All copies of the Management Agreement shall bear the following legend: "To the extent, if any, this instrument constitutes chattel paper under the UCC, no security interest herein may be created through the transfer and/or possession of any counterpart other than the counterpart marked 'Secured Party's Original.'" All copies of each Management Agreement, other than the "Secured Party's Original" shall bear the following legend: "Copy." No interest herein may be created or the aircraft subject hereto through the transfer and/or possession hereof."

(v) Any Management Agreement shall be expressly subject and subordinate to this Lease and the rights of Lessor hereunder and in and to the Aircraft. No amendment, termination, waiver or modification of any of the terms and/or conditions of such Management Agreement shall be effective unless consented to in writing in advance by Lessor, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, provided, however, that Lessor's consent shall not be necessary with respect to any amendment or modification of such Management Agreement which increases the amount of the monthly rentals under such Management or with respect to any renewal of such Management Agreement provided that the term of such Management Agreement, upon effecting such renewal is co-terminus with the then current Term of this Lease.

(vi) Lessee shall deliver to Lessor a consent and acknowledgment executed by Lessee and the Manager and any other Operator in the form and substance satisfactory to Lessor along with such other instruments (including, without limitation, FAA recording documents and UCC financing statements) as Lessor may reasonably require. Lessee shall agree to take such other actions as are deemed necessary by Lessor to effect the terms and conditions of this Section.

(vii) Such other terms and conditions as Lessor deems reasonably necessary and appropriate.

Lessor acknowledges that certain of the duties and obligations of Lessee hereunder shall be performed by Operator. Such acknowledgment on the part of Lessor does not, however, constitute an acceptance by Lessor of such performance by Lessor of such duties and obligations unless the performance of such duties and obligations fully and completely satisfies the requirements of this Lease. Lessee hereby acknowledges to Lessor that it is now and continues to be primarily and fully obligated by the terms and conditions of the Lease notwithstanding any delegation of duties or any other term of any kind whatsoever

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to Operator or the assumption thereof by Operator. Any such delegation shall be effective only as between Lessee and Operator. Lessee acknowledges and agrees that the responsibility for performance of the duties and obligations of Lessee hereunder remain with Lessee regardless of the fact that Lessee may have contracted with or delegated to Operator with respect to the performance thereof.

(b) Lessee may either sublease the Aircraft from time to time, or assign all of its rights and obligations under and with respect to this Lease, in either such case, to a solvent, domestic Affiliate pursuant to the following terms and conditions (hereinafter a "Sublease"):

(i) Any Sublease shall provide that it shall terminate at the option of Lessor, upon the expiration or earlier termination of this Lease, including, without limitation, any termination or expiration occasioned by the exercise by Lessee of its options set forth in any Addendum hereto, and the term of such Sublease shall not exceed the then remaining Term of this Lease (including, any Renewal Term as to which the option to renew has been irrevocably exercised).

(ii) Any Sublease shall not be a grant of a "security interest" as such term is used in Section 1-201 (37) of the UCC.

(iii) With respect to any Sublease, to the extent that it has not already done so, Lessee agrees to assign, and does hereby assign, as collateral security, and grant, and does hereby grant, to Lessor a security interest in (i) the Sublease, (ii) all amounts payable thereunder, (iii) all proceeds of insurance payable to Lessee pursuant to the Sublease, and (iv) all rights and remedies of Lessee under the Sublease and proceeds from the exercise thereof all to secure payment and performance of all of Lessee's liabilities, obligations and indebtedness under this Lease. Lessor's security interest which is created hereby, if Lessor so elects, may be perfected by possession of the chattel paper original of the Sublease rather than filing, as provided in the UCC. Until the occurrence of a Default or an Event of Default hereunder, Lessee shall have the right to collect and receive, in accordance with the terms hereof, rent and other sums payable under such Sublease and to retain, use and enjoy the same. The filing of this Lease with the FAA shall constitute notice to all third parties, including, without limitation, Affiliate, of the security interest of Lessor in any such Subleases without the need for the filing of a specific assignment thereof.

(iv) Lessee shall deliver to the Lessor a fully executed copy of each and every Sublease, which are, and will be, the only copies of such Sublease marked "Secured Party's Original." All copies of the Sublease shall bear the following legend: "To the extent, if any, this instrument constitutes chattel paper under the UCC, no security interest herein may be perfected through the possession of any counterpart other than the counterpart marked 'Secured Party's Original.'" All copies of each Sublease, other than the "Secured Party's Original" shall bear the following legend: "Copy." No interest herein may be created in the aircraft subject hereto through the transfer and/or possession hereof."

(v) Any Sublease shall be expressly subject and subordinate to this Lease and the rights of Lessor hereunder and in and to the Aircraft. No amendment, waiver or modification of any of the terms and/or conditions of such Sublease shall be effective if and to the extent such amendment, waiver, or modification would cause such Sublease to be inconsistent with the provisions of this Section 12, or otherwise cause Lessee to be in breach of its obligations under this Lease.

(vi) With respect to any Sublease, Lessee shall deliver to Lessor a consent and acknowledgment executed by Lessee and any such permitted sublessee in form and substance satisfactory to Lessor. With respect to any assignment, Lessee and any such permitted assignee shall deliver to Lessor an assignment and assumption agreement in form and substance satisfactory to Lessor (providing for, among other things, such assignee's assumption of, and unconditional and absolute agreement to pay and perform, all of Lessee's obligations under the Lease and any and all other documents, instruments and agreements entered into in connection therewith). With respect to either a Sublease or an assignment, Lessee, each of the Guarantors and/or such permitted sublessee or permitted

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assignee, as the case may be, shall also execute and deliver all such other assurances, confirmations, instruments (including, without limitation, FAA recording documents and UCC financing statements), officer's certificates, legal opinions and other documents and agreements, as Lessor may reasonably require. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, as a condition precedent to the effectiveness of any such Sublease or assignment, each Guarantor shall provide a confirmation of the continuing nature of its Guaranty after giving effect to any such Sublease or assignment, and each Guarantor and any assignee shall provide to Lessor, if and to the extent requested, documents, agreements, filings and assurances similar to the Closing Documents. Lessee further agrees to take all such other actions as are deemed necessary by Lessor to effect the terms and conditions of this Section.

(vii) Lessee shall provide Lessor with written confirmation that a copy of the Sublease has been properly placed on the Aircraft.

(viii) Such other terms and conditions as Lessor deems reasonably necessary and appropriate.

No such chartering and/or subleasing by Lessee will reduce any of the obligations of Lessee hereunder or the rights of Lessor hereunder, and all of the obligations of Lessee hereunder shall be and remain primary and shall continue in full force and effect as the obligations of a principal and not of a guarantor or surety. No such assignment by Lessee will reduce any of the obligations of Lessee hereunder or the rights of Lessor hereunder, and all of the obligations of Lessee hereunder shall be and remain primary and shall continue in full force and effect as the obligations of a principal and not of a guarantor or surety, in each such case, except to the extent effectively assigned and assumed in accordance with this Section.

Lessor, may at any time, with or without notice to Lessee, mortgage, grant a security interest in or otherwise transfer, sell or assign all or any part of its interest in this Lease or the Aircraft or any Rent or other sums due or to become due hereunder and Lessee shall perform all of its obligations under this Lease for the benefit of such assignee, lender, creditor, mortgagee, transferee or Person (hereinafter an "Assignee") except that the interest of any such Assignee shall be subject to Lessee's rights of use and possession, renewal rights, and purchase options, if any, hereunder, so long as no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing hereunder. Lessee agrees that the rights hereunder of any such Assignee shall not be subject to any defense, setoff, recoupment, abatement, reduction, claim or counterclaim (collectively the "Defenses") that Lessee has or may at any time have against Lessor for any reason whatsoever unless Assignee expressly assumes Lessor's obligations hereunder with respect thereto. Unless Lessor's obligations with respect to such Defenses are expressly assumed by Assignee, Lessee hereby waives any right to assert at any time any of the foregoing Defenses against any such Assignee. Lessee further agrees that any such Assignee shall have all of Lessor's rights hereunder, but none of the Lessor's obligations or duties. Lessor shall remain liable with respect to any Defenses which are not assumed by Assignee. Lessee acknowledges that any such assignment, transfer or sale will not materially change its duties or materially increase its burdens or risks hereunder and that any such assignment, transfer or sale shall be permitted even if the assignment, transfer or sale would be deemed to materially affect the Lessee's interests hereunder. Lessee further agrees, if so directed in writing, to, among other things, pay all sums due or to become due hereunder directly to the Assignee or any other party designated in writing by Lessor or any such Assignee. Upon the request of Lessor or any Assignee, Lessee also agrees (i) to promptly execute and deliver to Lessor or to such Assignee an acknowledgment of assignment in form and substance satisfactory to the requesting party and Lessee which, among other things, reaffirms the basic terms and conditions of this Lease and (ii) to comply with the reasonable demands of any such Assignee in order to perfect any such assignment or transfer.

This Lease, including all agreements, covenants, representations and warranties, shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of, and may be enforced by (a) Lessor and its successors, assigns, Assignees, agents and servants and (b) Lessee and its successors and, to the extent expressly permitted by Lessor, assigns.

### Section 13. Events of Default.

The term "Event of Default", wherever used herein, shall mean any of the following events or circumstances (whatever the reason for such Event of Default and whether it shall be voluntary or involuntary, or come about or be effected by operation of law, or be pursuant to or in compliance with any Judgment, decree or order of any court or any order, rule or regulation or any administrative or governmental body):

(a) Lessee shall fail to make any payment of Rent, Casualty Value, if applicable, and/or any amount due pursuant to any Rider, Exhibit or Addendum hereto within ten (10) days after any or all of the same shall become due and payable, or, upon demand, any other amount required to be paid herein or under any other agreement with Lessor; or

(b) Lessee shall fail to keep in full force and effect any of the insurance required hereunder, or shall operate the Aircraft at a time when, or at a place in which, such insurance shall not be in effect; or

(c) Lessee shall fail to perform or observe any covenant, condition or agreement, (other than those specifically referred to in this Section) required to be performed or observed by it under this Lease or any Rider, Exhibit or Addendum hereto or any other agreement, document or certificate delivered by or on behalf of Lessee in connection herewith, and such failure shall continue for thirty (30) days after written notice thereof from Lessor to Lessee; provided, however, if by its nature such breach cannot be cured within thirty (30) days but can be cured by practical means within an additional sixty (60) days, then so long as no other Event of Default then exists, and Lessee is at all times diligently undertaking to cure such breach, Lessee shall have an additional sixty (60) days to complete such cure before an Event of Default shall be deemed to have occurred as a result of such breach; or

(d) Lessee or any of its Affiliates shall default in the payment or performance of any obligation to Lessor under any other aircraft lease (the "Other Aircraft Lease") entered into between Lessee or such Affiliate (by assignment or otherwise) and Lessor, or under any other agreement, instrument or document entered into in connection with such Other Aircraft Lease (collectively with the Other Aircraft Lease, the "Other Lease Documents"), in either such case, after the giving of any notice and the expiration of any grace or cure period provided for in such Other Lease Documents; or

(e) any representation or warranty made by Lessee herein or in any certificate, agreement, statement or document hereto or hereafter furnished to Lessor in connection herewith, including without limitation, any financial information disclosed to Lessor, shall prove to be or to have been false or incorrect in any material respect; or

(f) the commencement of any bankruptcy, insolvency, arrangement, reorganization, receivership, liquidation or other similar proceeding by or against Lessee or any of its properties or businesses, (which, in the case of a proceeding commenced against Lessee, has not been dismissed within sixty (60) days of the filing thereof) the appointment of a trustee, receiver, liquidator or custodian for Lessee or any of its properties or businesses, if Lessee suffers the entry of an order for relief under Title 11 of the United States Code or the making by Lessee of a general assignment or deed of trust for the benefit of creditors; or

(g) Lessee shall default in any payment or performance in respect of any obligation for borrowed money or other financial accommodation having an aggregate principal balance or other liability which, upon acceleration in accordance therewith, shall be in excess of \$50,000,000.00 owing to any parties, including Lessor or any Lessor Affiliate, and any applicable grace or cure period with respect thereto has expired; or

(h) except as expressly permitted under this Lease, Lessee sells, transfers or disposes of all or substantially all of its respective membership interests, assets or property, merges with or into any other

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entity and is not the surviving entity or engages in any form of reorganization in which it is not the surviving entity, becomes the subject of a leveraged buy-out or the Lessee shall terminate its existence by merger, consolidation or sale of substantially all of its assets or otherwise; or

(l) if effective control of Lessee's or LLC Guarantor's membership interests issued and outstanding from time to time is not retained by the holders of such membership interests on the date of this Lease; provided however, that it will not constitute an Event of Default if such party remains an affiliate of Corporate Guarantor; or

(j) there shall be a change in the ownership of Corporate Guarantor's stock such that Corporate Guarantor is no longer subject to the reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or no longer has a class of equity securities registered under Section 12 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended; or

(k) the failure to return the Aircraft to Lessor at the end of the Term in accordance and in compliance with the terms and conditions hereof, the Aircraft shall be abused, substantially damaged (without being repaired in accordance with the provisions hereof) or destroyed (without payment of the applicable Casualty Value in accordance with the terms and conditions hereof); or

(l) except as otherwise permitted in this Lease, Lessee shall or shall attempt to remove, sell, transfer, charter, interchange, convey, pledge, mortgage, encumber, part with possession of, assign or sublet (with or without one or more crewmembers) the Aircraft or any part thereof, use the Aircraft for an illegal purpose or permit the same to occur or Lessee shall create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Lien (other than Permitted Liens) with respect to the Aircraft, this Lease or Lessor's interests thereunder; or

(m) any event or condition set forth in subsections (d) through (h) of this Section shall occur with respect to any Guarantor or other person responsible, in whole or in part, for payment or performance of this Lease, or there shall be an express repudiation of any Guaranty or a default under any Guaranty, and any applicable grace or cure period with respect thereto has expired.

Lessee shall promptly notify Lessor of the occurrence of any Default or Event of Default.

#### Section 14. Remedies.

(a) Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default and so long as the same shall be continuing, Lessor may, at its option, declare this Lease to be in default (provided that no such declaration shall be a condition to any suit against Lessee for specific performance of a defaulted covenant or for damages in respect of such default upon such occurrence or at any time thereafter), and at any time thereafter, whether or not such Event of Default shall be continuing, Lessor may exercise any one or more of the following remedies, as Lessor in its sole discretion shall lawfully elect:

(i) Proceed by appropriate court action, either at law or in equity, to enforce performance by Lessee of the applicable covenants of this Lease or to recover damages for breach thereof.

(ii) By notice cancel or terminate this Lease, whereupon all rights of Lessee to the use of the Aircraft or any part thereof shall absolutely cease and terminate but Lessee shall remain liable as hereinafter provided and thereupon (A) if so requested by Lessor, Lessee shall at its expense promptly return the Aircraft to the possession of Lessor at such place as Lessor shall designate and in the condition required upon the return thereof pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of this Lease, (B) Lessor, at its option, may enter upon the premises where the Aircraft is located and take immediate possession of and remove the same, together with any Engines and Parts by self-help, summary proceedings or otherwise without any liability of any kind whatsoever on the part of Lessor for or by reason of such entry or taking of possession and Lessee hereby waives any cause of action it may have arising from, or in connection with, the foregoing and/or (C) Lessee will provide storage as set forth in this Lease. In addition, upon the written request of

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Lessor, Lessee, at its expense, will replace any engine installed on the Airframe with an Engine. Lessee shall, without further demand, forthwith pay to Lessor an amount equal to any unpaid Rent due and payable for all periods up to and including the Basic Rent Date following the date on which Lessor has declared this Lease to be in default, plus, as liquidated damages for loss of a bargain and not as a penalty, an amount equal to the Casualty Value of the Aircraft, computed as of the Basic Rent Date immediately following the date on which Lessor has declared this Lease to be in default (plus all costs, charges and expenses including, legal fees and disbursements incurred by Lessor by reason of the occurrence of any Event of Default or the exercise of any of Lessor's remedies with respect thereto or otherwise).

Following the return of the Aircraft to Lessor pursuant to this subparagraph (ii), Lessor shall proceed at its option to sell or otherwise dispose of the Aircraft by public or private sale, with or without notice, and without having the Aircraft present at the place of sale and in such manner as it shall deem appropriate, provided that Lessor, if it so elects, may purchase the Aircraft at such sale for a price not less than the highest bona fide bid given by a Person unrelated to Lessee. Lessee waives all its rights under laws governing such sale to the extent permitted by law. Lessor may apply any deposit or other cash collateral or sale or remarketing proceeds of the Aircraft at any time to reduce any amounts due to Lessor. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Lessor may at its option and in its sole discretion keep idle, lease, or use or operate all or part of the Aircraft without any liability whatsoever and may use Lessee's premises for storage pending lease or sale or for holding a sale without liability for rent or costs or any other matter whatsoever. The net proceeds of such sale or lease as provided above shall be applied by Lessor (x) first, to pay all costs, charges and expenses, including the cost of discharging all Liens, on the Aircraft and all legal fees and disbursements incurred by Lessor as a result of the Event of Default and/or the exercise of its remedies with respect thereto, (y) second, to pay to Lessor an amount equal to any unpaid Rent due and payable and the Casualty Value, to the extent not previously paid and (z) third, to reimburse Lessee for the Casualty Value to the extent paid by Lessee as liquidated damages. Any surplus remaining thereafter shall be retained by Lessor. To the extent that all Rent then due and payable with respect to the Aircraft and the Casualty Value have not been previously paid, Lessee shall forthwith pay upon demand to Lessor the sum of (AA) the amount by which (1) the sum of (aa) all Rent then due and payable with respect to the Aircraft, (bb) the Casualty Value or portion thereof not theretofore paid and (cc) the amount payable under clause (x) of the preceding sentence exceeds (2) the net proceeds of the sale or lease of the Aircraft actually received by the Lessor and (BB) interest at the Late Payment Rate on the full amount of said Casualty Value and Rent then due and unpaid, computed from the date such sums are due until the same are paid by Lessee. For purposes of computing liquidated damages under this subparagraph (ii) only, the proceeds of any releasing of the Aircraft shall be determined by discounting to present value, at the rate of seven percent (7.0%) per annum, the periodic rentals which are payable to Lessor pursuant to such re-lease, up to and including the expiration of the term of any such re-lease.

In addition to the other remedies provided for herein, upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, Lessor may (i) terminate or cancel the Sublease, without regard as to the existence of any event of default thereunder and recover or cause Lessee to relinquish possession and return the Aircraft, including the Engines and Parts, pursuant to this Section 14, and (ii) exercise any and all other remedies, in Lessee's stead, to the extent provided for under, or otherwise available to Lessee in connection with the Sublease.

If any Default or Event of Default occurs or if Lessee fails to perform or comply with any of its agreements contained herein, Lessor shall have the right, but shall not be obligated, to effect such performance or compliance and the amount of any out-of-pocket expenses and other reasonable expenses of Lessor incurred in connection with the performance of or compliance with such agreements, as the case may be, together with interest thereon at the Late Payment Rate, shall be payable by Lessee promptly upon demand, and any such action by Lessor shall not be deemed a cure or waiver of any Default or Event of Default hereunder.

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(b) Lessee shall be liable for all costs, charges and expenses, including legal fees and disbursements, incurred by Lessor by reason of the occurrence of any Event of Default, the exercise of any of Lessor's rights or remedies with respect thereto or otherwise.

(c) Lessee hereby waives, to the maximum extent now or hereafter permitted by applicable law, for itself and for its successors or assigns any and all rights Lessee or Lessee's successors or assigns may have following an Event of Default under any bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws, rules or regulations with respect to the continued possession or use of the Aircraft or relief from the payment of Rent therefor or otherwise with respect to this Lease. Rejection of this Lease by any bankruptcy trustee or debtor-in-possession shall entitle Lessor to the immediate return of the Aircraft and to liquidated damages calculated in the manner provided for in subsection 14(a)(ii) hereof with respect to an Event of Default.

(d) No right or remedy referred to herein is intended to be exclusive, but each shall be cumulative and in addition to any other right or remedy referred to above or otherwise available to Lessor at law or in equity, including, without limitation, such rights and/or remedies as are provided for in the UCC. No express or implied waiver by Lessor of any Default or Event of Default hereunder shall in any way be, or be construed to be, a waiver of any future or subsequent Default or Event of Default. The failure or delay of Lessor in exercising any rights granted it hereunder upon the occurrence of any of the contingencies set forth herein shall not constitute a waiver of any such right upon the continuation or reoccurrence of any such contingencies or similar contingencies, and any single or partial exercise of any particular right by Lessor shall not exhaust the same or constitute a waiver of any other right provided for or otherwise referred to herein. All remedies set forth herein shall survive the expiration or other termination of this Lease for any reason whatsoever.

(e) To the extent permitted by applicable law, Lessee hereby waives any rights now or hereafter conferred by statute or otherwise which may require Lessor to sell, lease or otherwise use the Aircraft in mitigation of Lessor's damages as set forth in this Section or which may otherwise limit or modify any of Lessor's rights or remedies under this Section. To the extent permitted by applicable law, Lessee waives any and all rights and remedies conferred upon a lessee by Section 2A-508 to 2A-522 (inclusive) of the UCC, including, without limitation, any rights of Lessee (a) to cancel or repudiate this Lease or any supplement or any document relating thereto, (b) to reject or revoke acceptance of the Aircraft or any component thereof and (c) to recover from Lessor any general or consequential damages, for any reason whatsoever.

#### Section 15. Notices.

All communications and notices provided for herein shall be in writing and shall become effective (i) upon hand delivery, (ii) upon delivery by an overnight delivery service, (iii) upon two (2) Business Days after being deposited in the United States mail with proper postage for first-class mail prepaid, sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, and addressed to Lessor or Lessee at their respective addresses set forth under the signatures hereto or such other address as either party may hereafter designate by written notice to the other or (iv) or when sent by telecopy (with customary confirmation of receipt of such telecopy) on the Business Day when sent or upon the next Business Day if sent on other than a Business Day.

#### Section 16. Transaction Expenses.

Lessee shall pay all actual and reasonable fees, costs and expenses incurred by Lessor in connection with this Lease, whether or not the transactions contemplated hereby are consummated, including, without limitation, appraisal fees, inspection fees, Lessor's internal and external counsel fees and expenses and FAA Counsel fees and expenses, and FAA and UCC title and lien searches, reports, filing and recording fees, charges and taxes. Lessee also agrees to pay all fees and expenses of Lessor's counsel, FAA Counsel and all other third parties who are engaged by Lessor to enforce Lessor's rights and/or remedies hereunder, to update any FAA or UCC title and/or lien reports and/or to review, file and record any and all documents and instruments as required by Lessor or the FAA during and after the Term of this Lease.

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**Section 17. Miscellaneous.**

Any provision of this Lease which may be determined to be prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such prohibition or unenforceability without invalidating the remaining provisions hereof and any such prohibition or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction. To the extent permitted by applicable law, Lessee hereby waives any provision hereof prohibited or unenforceable in any respect.

This Lease may be executed in any number of counterparts and by the different parties hereto on separate counterparts. The division of this Lease into sections, the provision of a table of contents and the insertion of headings are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of this Lease. The actual dates of execution hereof by the parties hereto are respectively the dates set forth under the signatures hereto, however this Lease shall be effective as of the date first above written.

Lessee hereby grants and conveys to Lessor, a security interest and lien in this Lease, any subleases relating to the Aircraft and any and all proceeds (including insurance proceeds) of any or all of the foregoing, to secure the prompt and full payment and performance as and when due of any and all obligations and indebtedness of Lessee to Lessor, now existing or hereafter created of any kind whatsoever. Notwithstanding anything to contrary contained herein or otherwise, should a court of competent jurisdiction determine that this agreement is a grant of a security interest, then solely in that event and for the expressly limited purposes thereof, Lessee shall be deemed to have hereby granted and conveyed, and for such express purposes Lessee hereby grants and conveys to Lessor, a security interest and lien in the Aircraft to secure the prompt and full payment and performance as and when due of any and all obligations and indebtedness of Lessee to Lessor, now existing or hereafter created of any kind whatsoever. The security interests granted herein shall survive the termination, cancellation or expiration of this Lease for any reason whatsoever and shall remain in full force and effect until such time as Lessee has no further obligations of any kind whatsoever under this Lease.

Lessee will promptly and duly execute and deliver to Lessor and any assignee, mortgagee and/or lender of the Lessor, such other documents and assurances, including, without limitation, such amendments to this Lease as may be reasonably required by Lessor and acceptable to Lessee (and by any assignee, mortgagee and/or lender of the Lessor), and UCC financing statements and continuation statements, and will take such further action as Lessor or any such assignee, mortgagee and/or lender may from time to time request in order to carry out more effectively the intent and purposes of this Lease and to establish and protect the rights and remedies created or intended to be created in favor of Lessor and of any such assignee, mortgagee and/or lender. Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default, Lessee irrevocably appoints Lessor (and any assignee, mortgagee and/or lender of the Lessor) its attorney-in-fact to act in Lessee's name and on its behalf to make, execute, deliver and file any instruments or documents and to take

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any action as Lessor (and any such assignee, mortgagee and/or lender) deems necessary or appropriate to carry out the intent of this Lease or any agreements, documents or instruments related thereto. To the extent appropriate or permissible under applicable law, such appointment is coupled with an interest, shall be irrevocable and shall terminate only upon payment in full of the obligations set forth in this Lease and/or any agreements, documents or instruments related thereto.

Time is of the essence in the payment and performance of all of Lessee's obligations under the Lease. For purposes of 49 USC Section 44108 (c), Lessor and Lessee intend, by virtue of the Lessor having countersigned and accepted the Lease in Rhode Island and by virtue of this Lease being delivered for closing purposes to Lessor's office in Providence, Rhode Island, that this Lease has been executed and delivered in Rhode Island. In all other respects, this Lease shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York, without giving effect to principles of conflicts of law or choice of law, including all matters of construction, validity and performance. Lessee hereby irrevocably consents and agrees that any legal action, suit or proceeding arising out of or in any way in connection with this Agreement may be instituted or brought in the courts of the State of New York or the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, as Lessor may elect, and by execution and delivery of this Lease, Lessee hereby irrevocably accepts and submits to, for itself and in respect of its property, generally and unconditionally, the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any such court, and to all proceedings in such courts. To the extent permitted by applicable law, this Lease shall be deemed a "finance lease" under Section 2A-103(g) of the UCC. LESSEE ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT THIS LEASE IS A COMMERCIAL TRANSACTION. LESSEE ALSO HEREBY KNOWINGLY AND FREELY WAIVES ALL RIGHTS TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LITIGATION ARISING HEREFROM OR IN RELATION HERETO.

#### Section 1. Amendments.

This Lease, and each related instrument, document, agreement and certificate, collectively constitute, and are intended to collectively constitute, the complete and exclusive statement of the terms of the agreement between Lessor and Lessee with respect to the purchase and leasing of the Aircraft. The Lease cancels and supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous oral or written understandings, memoranda, negotiations, communications and agreements with respect thereto including, without limitation, any proposal letter, commitment letter and/or term sheet delivered to the Lessee by Lessor, unless, with respect to any such written materials only, any term and/or condition thereof expressly supersedes any term and/or condition of this Lease.

NO TERM OR PROVISION OF THIS LEASE MAY BE AMENDED, ALTERED, WAIVED, DISCHARGED OR TERMINATED ORALLY, EXCEPT IN A WRITING SIGNED BY A DULY AUTHORIZED OFFICER OF THE PARTY AGAINST WHOM THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE AMENDMENT, ALTERATION, WAIVER, DISCHARGE OR TERMINATION IS SOUGHT.

*[Signature]*  
LESSEE'S INITIALS

#### Section 2. Truth in Leasing.

THE AIRCRAFT, AS EQUIPMENT, BECAME SUBJECT TO THE MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS OF PARTS 91 AND/OR 135, AS APPLICABLE, OF THE FEDERAL AVIATION REGULATIONS ("FARS") UPON THE REGISTRATION OF THE AIRCRAFT WITH THE FAA. LESSEE CERTIFIES THAT DURING THE 12 MONTHS (OR PORTION THEREOF DURING WHICH THE AIRCRAFT HAS BEEN SUBJECT TO U.S. REGISTRATION) PRECEDING THE EXECUTION OF THIS LEASE, THE AIRCRAFT HAS BEEN MAINTAINED AND INSPECTED UNDER PARTS 91 AND/OR 135, AS APPLICABLE, OF THE FARS. LESSEE CERTIFIES THAT THE AIRCRAFT WILL BE MAINTAINED AND INSPECTED UNDER PARTS 91 AND/OR 135, AS APPLICABLE, OF THE FARS FOR OPERATIONS TO BE CONDUCTED UNDER THE LEASE. UPON EXECUTION OF THIS LEASE, AND DURING THE TERM HEREOF, THE LESSEE, WHOSE NAME AND ADDRESS ARE SET FORTH IMMEDIATELY BELOW, ACTING BY AND THROUGH THE SIGNATORY HERETO, WHO EXECUTES THIS SECTION SOLELY IN HIS CAPACITY OF THE LESSEE SET FORTH BELOW HIS SIGNATURE,

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CERTIFIES THAT LESSEE SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THE AIRCRAFT UNDER THE LEASE (WHILE IT HAS POSSESSION OF THE AIRCRAFT), UNLESS THE AIRCRAFT IS SUBLEASED TO AN AIR CARRIER OR AIR TAXI OPERATOR CERTIFICATED UNDER PART 121 OR PART 135, RESPECTIVELY, OF THE FARS IF AND TO THE EXTENT SUCH SUBLEASE IS PERMITTED HEREUNDER. THE LESSEE FURTHER CERTIFIES THAT IT UNDERSTANDS ITS RESPONSIBILITIES FOR COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE FARS, PROVIDED HOWEVER, THAT THE LESSEE SHALL NOT BE DEEMED TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THE AIRCRAFT FOR SO LONG AS THE AIRCRAFT IS IN POSSESSION OF ANY SUBLEESEE THAT IS CERTIFICATED UNDER PART 121 OR PART 135 OF THE FARS IF AND TO THE EXTENT SUCH SUBLEASE IS PERMITTED HEREUNDER. AN EXPLANATION OF FACTORS BEARING ON OPERATIONAL CONTROL AND PERTINENT FARS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE NEAREST FEDERAL AVIATION FLIGHT STANDARD DISTRICT OFFICE, GENERAL AVIATION DISTRICT OFFICE OR AIR CARRIER DISTRICT OFFICE.

The execution hereof on behalf of Lessee and Lessor shall be deemed to constitute the acceptance by Lessee and Lessor of the terms and conditions of Exhibit A hereto and each and every Addendum set forth hereto as if each of such Exhibit A and Addendum was separately and individually executed on behalf of such party hereto.

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